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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: CYPRUS TALKS: CLERIDES' CRITIQUE OF WEEK'S EFFORT

1. I SAW CLERIDES IN MIDAFTERNOON, MAY 3, AND HE GAVE ME  
LARGELY NEGATIVE CRITIQUE OF WEEK'S EFFORT IN VIENNA.  
THERE WAS NO CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSION BECAUSE DENKTASH  
REPORTEDLY DID NOT COME TO VIENNA PREPARED TO ENGAGE  
IN ANY DECISION-MAKING. CLERIDES SAID HE PUT FORWARD  
SPECIFIC PROPOSALS ON POWERS OF FUTURE GOVERNMENT AND  
ON REFUGEE MATTERS BUT COULD NOT GET REACTION FROM  
DENKTASH. CLERIDES OBSERVED HE WAS NOT WORRIED ABOUT  
LACK OF SPECIFIC RESULTS FROM WEEK OF TALKS BUT WAS VERY  
DISAPPOINTED OVER CONTINUOUS ABSENCE OF ANY WILLINGNESS  
ON PART OF DENKTASH TO DISCUSS DIFFICULT ISSUES AT  
HAND.

2. ACCORDING TO CLERIDES, DENKTASH BACKED OFF  
SATURDAY MORNING ON EARLIER AGREEMENT FOR UN TO REPAIR,  
REOPEN AND USE NICOSIA AIRPORT, CLAIMING HE HAD NOT  
YET RECEIVED VIEWS OF TURKISH MILITARY. THEREFORE,

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COMMUNIQUE SOPKE OF AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE ON REOPENING

WITH ACTUAL AGREEMENT ONLY ACHIEVED RE UN REPAIR OF FACILITY. ACCORDINGLY, COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED TO LOOK INTO MATTER OF OPERATION AND USE OF AIRPORT FOR CIVILIAN USE.

3. CLERIDES INDICATED THAT IF NOT GREATER WILLINGNESS TO DEAL WITH SUBSTANCE WAS SHOWN BY DENKTASH AT NEXT ROUND OF TALKS IN EARLY JUNE, TALKS WOULD IN ALL LIKELIHOOD COLLAPSE AND IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO AVOID ANOTHER FULL DEBATE OF ISSUE IN SECURITY COUNCIL. CLERIDES NOTED HE WAS APPRECIATIVE OF LIMITATIONS OF EFFECTIVENESS OF LATTER ROUTE OF MARCH BUT THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS WERE GETTING IMPATIENT AND THERE THUS WAS OBVIOUS NECESSITY OF ACHIEVING SOME VISIBLE RESULTS OF TALKS FOR HIS CONTITUENCY.

4. CLERIDES SAID HE WOULD BE SEEING GREEK GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN ATHENS ON TUESDAY (MAY 6) AND MEETING WITH ARCHBISHOP MARKARIOS ON WEDNESDAY BEFORE RETURNING TO CYPRUS. BUCHANAN

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